

15. (Amended) An apparatus comprising a computer-readable storage medium tangibly embodying program instructions for displaying information on a display connected to an exercise device, the program instructions including instructions operable to cause a processor to:

- connect the exercise device to a network having access to information;
- present real-time video images in a first portion of the display; and
- present an interface to the Internet in a second portion of the display. –

REMARKS

Claims 1-15 are pending. Claims 14 and 15 are amended. A marked-up version of the changes being made by the current amendment is attached.

The Examiner has required restriction of the application under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between the inventions of claims 1-12, drawn to computer-implemented methods, and the inventions of claims 13-15, drawn to apparatus comprising computer-readable storage media. The applicant elects the inventions of Group I, drawn to a computer implemented methods. The election is made with traverse.

The Examiner asserts that the inventions of Groups I and II are distinct because the apparatus recited in the Group II claims can be used to practice processes materially different from those recited in the Group I claims. The applicant respectfully disagrees.

Claim 13 recites an apparatus comprising a computer-readable storage medium tangibly embodying program instructions for use on a display device associated with an exercise device. The program instructions are recited as including instructions operable to cause a processor to connect the exercise device to a network, partition a display of the display device to form a first display portion to display content and a second display portion to display controls for the exercise device, and provide a selectable element on the display device that upon selection removes the second display portion from the display. The applicant notes that the recited program instructions correspond directly to the steps recited in claim 1, which recites a corresponding computer-implemented interface method. The applicant submits that the recited instructions have no use other than to perform the method recited in claim 1, and that therefore the apparatus of claim 13 is not distinct from the method recited in claim 1.

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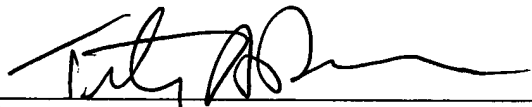
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Amended claims 14 and 15 are independent apparatus claims that similarly recite program instructions operable to cause a processor to perform steps directly analogous to those recited in method claims 7 and 10, respectively. As with claim 13, the applicant submits that these instructions have no use other than to perform the respective methods, and that therefore the apparatus recited in claims 14 and 15 are not distinct from the methods recited in claims 7 and 10, respectively.

Enclosed is a \$400 check for the Petition for Extension of Time fee for a two month extension of time. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

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Version with markings to show changes made

In the claims:

Claims 14 and 15 have been amended as follows:

14. (Amended) An apparatus comprising a computer-readable storage medium tangibly embodying program instructions for improving the usability of an interface for an exercise device, the program instructions including instructions operable to cause a processor to:
connect the exercise device to a network having access to information;

partition a display of the display device associated with the exercise device to form a first display portion to display content;

partition the display of the display device to form a second display portion to display one or more controls to control the exercise device; and

provide a selectable element in the second portion of the display device that upon selection increases the size of the one or more selectable elements in the first display portion of the display device.

15. (Amended) An apparatus comprising a computer-readable storage medium tangibly embodying program instructions for displaying information on a display connected to an exercise device, the program instructions including instructions operable to cause a processor to:

[connecting a network connection to the exercise device capable of accessing information stored over a network;]

connect the exercise device to a network having access to information;

present[ing] real-time video images in a first portion of the display; and

present[ing] an interface to the Internet in a second portion of the display.